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### AB 32: California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006

## Public Meeting: Reporting and Verification Requirements for California's Cap-and-Trade Program

<u>Topic and Purpose</u>: The Air Resources Board (ARB) invites you to participate in a public meeting to discuss mandatory reporting and verification requirements for California's cap-and-trade program. Accurate and verified reporting of emissions covered under the cap is a critical element in the implementation and enforcement of the cap-and-trade program. ARB adopted mandatory reporting rules for greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in December 2007<sup>1</sup>; these rules will help the State obtain facility-level data from significant industrial and commercial sources of greenhouse gas emissions in California.

As part of the development of the regulations for the cap-and-trade program and the integration of California's program with those of other Western Climate Initiative (WCI)<sup>2</sup> partners, ARB is reviewing the existing reporting rules to determine how they may need to be fine tuned to support the cap-and-trade program. This public meeting is being held to help identify specific areas where the existing ARB Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Reporting Regulation may need to be augmented to support a cap-and-trade program, to identify key differences between the ARB Mandatory Reporting Regulation and the WCI Essential Requirements for Reporting, and to discuss verification requirements under a cap-and-trade program.

#### Where and When is the Meeting?

This meeting will be held at Cal/EPA Headquarters in Sacramento and will also be webcast.

Date: Friday, June 5, 2009 Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Location: Sierra Hearing Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Address: Cal/EPA Headquarters Building

1001 "I" Street

Sacramento, CA 95814

WEBCAST LINK (see details below)

<sup>1</sup> Regulation for the Mandatory Reporting of Greenhouse Gas Emissions, December 2007. [http://www.arb.ca.gov/regact/2007/ghg2007/frofinoal.pdf]

[http://www.westernclimateinitiative.org]

Western Climate Initiative, regional market based cap and trade system.

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov">http://www.arb.ca.gov</a>.

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#### More Information on Public Meetings

This meeting continues discussion on the development of a cap-and-trade program. ARB is posting these and other public meetings to discuss program design issues on our website at: http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/capandtrade/capandtrade.htm.

#### **Meeting Materials**

ARB will post meeting materials and an agenda prior to this meeting at <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/capandtrade/meetings/meetings.htm">http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/capandtrade/meetings/meetings.htm</a>. At this website, you may also join our electronic mailing list to receive further notices of ARB activities and public meetings related to the implementation of AB 32.

#### Can't Make It to the Meeting?

ARB will webcast this meeting. Viewers can email written comments or questions during the session to <a href="mailto:ccworkshops@arb.ca.gov">ccworkshops@arb.ca.gov</a>. Webcast links are posted at <a href="http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/">http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/</a>. ARB recommends that you do not run other programs while viewing the webcast, as it may interrupt or lower the quality of the signal.

#### **Directions to Cal/EPA**

There are many ways to arrive at the Cal/EPA Headquarters Building. We encourage you to take public transportation or drive low emission/high efficiency vehicles whenever possible. Use the following link for directions and information on public transit: <a href="http://www.calepa.ca.gov/EPAbldg/location.htm">http://www.calepa.ca.gov/EPAbldg/location.htm</a>

#### **Special Accommodations or Language Assistance**

Please contact Manpreet Mattu at (916) 445-8251 or <a href="MMattu@arb.ca.gov">MMattu@arb.ca.gov</a> as soon as possible if you require special accommodations or language needs. TTY/TDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

#### We Value Your Input

We welcome and encourage your participation in this important effort. If you have any questions, please contact Manpreet Mattu, ARB Office of Climate Change, at (916) 445-8251 or <a href="MMattu@arb.ca.gov">MMattu@arb.ca.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

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